He was a truly selfless public servant and a leader in law and banking who sought to improve the lives of those in the community and state he called home.

Louis led a remarkable life of both energy and dedication and it was readily apparent to those around him. From his days on the playing fields as a University of Arkansas quarterback to his distinguished air combat service over the battlegrounds of World War II, Louis developed a steadfastness, discipline and vision well beyond his years. He carried those traits on to law school and eventually the Arkansas Business Hall of fame.

Whether Louis was working as a lawyer or bank president, or serving his Governor or alma mater, the scope of his involvement is apparent as he holds the distinction of the only individual in state history to serve as president of both the Arkansas Bar Association and the Arkansas Bankers Association.

Although his professional achievements speak volumes, his influence transcends the business community as he continually made a priority of helping others through volunteer service and civic activities. As a member of a small community, I know what men like Louis mean to their neighbors. For Louis, the citizens of Pine Bluff showed their appreciation by naming him the "City's Most Influential Citizen" in 1989. This honor recognized both the significant economic impact he provided the communities of Pine Bluff and Southeast Arkansas as well as the tireless devotion and strength of character he displayed. He was truly an example for us all.

My thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Joy; his son, Richard; and his daughter, Joy. I extend my sincerest sympathies to them and hope we can all find some solace in the realization that the spirit and legacy of Louis Ramsay lives on in each of us.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THOMAS PATRICK FLANNERY

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Thomas Patrick Flannery has devoted himself to serving others through his membership in the Boy Scouts of America; and

Whereas, Thomas Patrick Flannery has shared his time and talent with the community in which he resides; and

Whereas, Thomas Patrick Flannery has demonstrated a commitment to meet challenges with enthusiasm, confidence and outstanding service; and

Whereas, Thomas Patrick Flannery must be commended for the hard work and dedication he put forth in earning the Eagle Scout Award;

Therefore, I join with Troop 87, and his family and friends in congratulating Thomas Patrick Flannery as he receives the Eagle Scout Award.

HONORING WILLIAM K. SCHUBERT, M.D. AS A GREAT LIVING CIN-CINNATIAN

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize William K. Schubert, M.D., a distinguished leader, who will be honored on February 26, 2004 by the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce as a Great Living Cincinnatian, one of our region's highest honors. The recipients of this prestigious honor are selected on the basis of special professional achievement; an awareness of the needs of others; civic service; leadership; and distinctive accomplishments.

As president and CEO of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Dr. Schubert steered it from a small facility with four operating rooms to one of the top five pediatric medical centers in the Nation and designation by the American College of Surgeons as a Level 1 pediatric trauma center. During the 1970s, Dr. Schubert led a centralization of the region's pediatric care into a single medical center at Children's Hospital.

A Cincinnati native, Dr. Schubert graduated from Walnut Hills High School, the University of Cincinnati and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. Interested in science and influenced in childhood by the family's doctor, he made the decision in high school to later attend medical school. After completing an internship at Indiana University Medical Center, he returned to Cincinnati and served a residency in pediatrics and a fellowship in hematology at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

In 1996, Dr. Schubert retired after 33 years of service to Children's Hospital, including 13 years as head of the medical center. Dr. Schubert has held many key leadership positions, such as founder and director of the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology; chief of staff, director of the pediatric residency training program; director of Children's Hospital Research Foundation; physician executive director; and chairman of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. He is a diplomat in the American Board of Pediatrics. Today, Dr. Schubert is professor emeritus of pediatrics at the University of Cincinnati and serves Children's Hospital Medical Center as a consultant.

In our community, Dr. Schubert was instrumental in the successful effort to expand Cincinnati's property tax levy for indigent care to include children. He has been involved in the Rotary Club of Cincinnati; the Babies' Milk Fund; the Center for Quality Leadership; and the Ohio Association of Children's Hospitals. I had the privilege of serving with Dr. Schubert on the board of the Springer School in Cincinnati. Dr. Schubert is the recipient of Children's Hospital Medical Center Board of Trustees' William Cooper Procter Medallion; the Cincinnati Pediatrics Society Founder's Award; and the University of Cincinnati's Daniel Drake and Distinguished Alumni Awards.

All of us in the Greater Cincinnati area are grateful to Dr. Schubert for his service to our community, and congratulate him on being named a Great Living Cincinnatian.

PERSON OF THE YEAR—SGT MARQUETTE WHITESIDE

HON. MIKE ROSS

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor SGT Marquette Whiteside, a 24-year-old resident of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. SGT Whiteside was active in the Red Cross and the 4–H Club. Upon graduation from Watson Chapel High School, he took a job while he waited to hear from the military. Once accepted, SGT Whiteside trained in Germany where he specialized in weapons artillery.

Time Magazine's honoree for 2003 Person of the Year is the American Soldier, and SGT Whiteside was chosen to be profiled. SGT Whiteside is a member of Survey Platoon, Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion in the 1st Armored's 3rd Field Artillery Regiment. There is no soldier more deserving of this honor than SGT Whitefield. Scheduled to be relieved of duty in early 2004, SGT Whiteside signed on for an additional 3 years with the Army, with just a 6-month break between tours.

My sincere gratitude and deep appreciation go to SGT Marquette Whiteside, a man who has dedicated himself to protecting his country in the noblest sense.

I am honored to represent this fine soldier in the U.S. House of Representatives. Not just a soldier, SGT Whiteside is also a son, a brother, and a father. My thoughts and prayers are with Marquette's mother, Catherine; his two brothers, and his 6-year-old, daughter, Brashawn, who all anxiously await his permanent and safe return home.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF JAMES E. CARNES

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, James E. Carnes served the people of Ohio as a member of the Ohio State Senate for 8 years; and

Whereas, James E. Carnes has served as Chairman of the Senate's Finance Committee, overseeing the state budget; and

Whereas, James E. Carnes is currently the longest serving member of the Ohio State Senate; and

Whereas, James E. Carnes has used his position within the Ohio Senate to help better the lives of thousands of people; and

Whereas, James E. Carnes has been appointed to continue his service to the citizens of Ohio as the Deputy Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources; and

Whereas, James E. Carnes must be commended for his dedication to improving the state of Ohio and his willingness to continue this service through his new appointment.

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in celebrating James E. Carnes's 8 years of service in the Ohio State Senate and wish him the best of luck in his new position.